

Nature Scope

Explore, Experience, Preserve

A listing of JaxParks environmental education programs

For information on any NatureScope activity, call (904) 630 - CITY or visit www.jaxparks.com.

For JaxParks environmental education outdoor activities, we ask that you dress for the weather, wear comfortable closed-toe shoes, use insect repellent and bring water. You are welcome to bring binoculars if you have them.

Environmental Education

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sep. 2

Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park

500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 8

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

WEE WORKSHOP: ANT PARADE!

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2

Camp Tomahawk Park

8419 San Ardo Road

Calling all wee entomologists ages 7 and under and their adult companions to join in our ant parade! Learn what makes ants unique in the insect world while participating in our ant observations. A craft follows our ant observations.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

11 a.m. - Noon Tuesday, Sep. 2

Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park

500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 8

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

MARSH WALK AND TALK **

1 - 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 2

Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

Learn more about the plants and animals living in the marshes along the Intracoastal Waterway and of their importance to you. This program is for all ages.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS **

2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 2

Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at one of our newest preservation parks located on the Intracoastal Waterway. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

WEE WORKSHOP: ANT PARADE!

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Calling all wee entomologists ages 7 and under and their adult companions to join in our ant parade! Learn what makes ants unique in the insect world while participating in our ant observations. A craft follows our ant observation.

SEA TURTLE TALK

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sep. 3

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Florida's beaches are nesting grounds for a variety of sea turtles. This is an opportunity to learn more about which species visit northeast Florida. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sep. 3

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at one of our newest preservation parks. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

COFFEE WITH THE BIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES

9 - 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 5

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join us for your morning cup of coffee or tea while looking out our large picture windows at the birds and butterflies visiting our beautiful gardens. Learn how to attract birds and butterflies to your yard and tips for keeping those pesky squirrels out of your birdfeeders. Beverages provided.

RAIL - TRAIL WALK

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sep. 8

Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp

Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road N.

Join us for a leisurely early morning walk along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. This guided tour is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve.

BIKE HIKE

11a.m. - Noon Monday, Sep. 8

Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road N.

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

BIKE HIKE

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Monday, Sep. 8

Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road N.

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

SHELLS WE SEE

11 a.m. - Noon Tuesday, Sep. 9

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Have you ever picked up a shell and wondered what it was? Here's your opportunity to study some of the shells collected from our oceanfront parks' beaches and learn their identity. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

WILDFLOWER SEARCH

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 9

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Join us as we search for wildflowers at one of our newest preservation parks. Learn how to identify some of Northeast Florida's more common wildflowers and their importance.

This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

**TRAIL WALK AND TALK +
9 - 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sep. 10
Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join us for a walk through this magnificent timberland site. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

**WILDFLOWER SEARCH +
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sep. 10
Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join us as we search for wildflowers at this magnificent timberland preservation park. Learn how to identify some of Northeast Florida's more common wildflowers and their importance. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

**ANIMAL DETECTIVE
3 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Wild animals can be very difficult to observe. Many species are active at night or avoid being around people. Learn to identify some of the more common animals by the clues they leave. Participants make a plaster cast of a track that can be taken home.

**BEACH WALK AND TALK *
1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sep. 11
Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive**

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

**BIRDS, BUTTERFLIES AND NATIVE
PLANTS**

**1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Discover what you can do to attract birds to your yard. Learn about different types of feeders, the birds they attract, and what kind of seed to put in those feeders. Get tips on how to discourage those pesky squirrels and the importance of native plants to birds and other wildlife.

**OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS
9 - 10 a.m. Monday, Sep. 15
McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.**

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

**WILDFLOWER SEARCH
10 - 11 a.m. Monday, Sep. 15
McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.**

Join us as we search for wildflowers at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. Learn how to identify some of Northeast Florida's more common wildflowers and their importance. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

WILDFLOWER RAMBLE

10:30 a.m. - noon Monday, Sept. 15
Ringhaver Park/Ortega Stream Valley Preserve

5198 – 118th Street

Take a leisurely walk on the wilder side of this very active park. Get some tips on how to identify the wildflowers you see and what resources will help you with this endeavor. Meet the naturalist at the trail head across the road from the ball field.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. – noon
Tuesday, Sep. 16

Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 4

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

SHELLS WE SEE

1 - 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 16
Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

Have you ever picked up a shell and wondered what it was? Here's your opportunity to study some of the shells collected from our oceanfront parks' beaches and learn their identity. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the picnic tables.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE * +

2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 16
Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks located on the Intracoastal Waterway. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sep. 17
Reddi Point Preserve
4499 Yachtsman Way

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this developing preservation park located along the banks of the St. Johns River. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sep. 17
Blue Cypress Park
4012 University Blvd.

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at this beautiful site along the banks of the St. Johns River. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. Follow the driveway to the parking area and meet us by the fishing pier.

OWL ENCOUNTER

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Would you like to see which bird does all that hooting at night? Come meet Merlin, a non-releasable barred owl, and learn what makes owls unique and different from other birds.

BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS

8:30 a.m. - noon Saturday, Sept. 13

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Whether you are a beginner or just somebody who needs some help with the basics, this program will help you better enjoy watching birds. During an inside session, you will learn about field guides, binoculars and how to use them, and what clues to look for when trying to identify a bird. An outside session will follow, including a walk to locate and identify local birds. This is also Migratory Bird Day, so our search will include migrating songbirds. After the walk, we'll have lunch together and discuss our discoveries. Bring water, field guide, binoculars if you have them and lunch. If needed, we will have some binoculars to lend.

MORNING EXPLORING

8:30 - 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 22

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center**

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join the parks naturalist on a nature walk to explore an off - trail portion of this large park. This program is not appropriate for children in strollers.

TRAIL WALK AND TALK +

9 - 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sep. 22

**Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join us for a walk through this magnificent timberland site on the first day of autumn. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

WILDFLOWER SEARCH +

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 23

**Reddi Point Preserve
4499 Yachtsman Way**

Join us as we search for wildflowers at this developing preservation park located along the bank. Learn how to identify some of Northeast Florida's more common wildflowers and their importance. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS

3 - 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 23

**Blue Cypress Park
4012 University Blvd.**

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at this beautiful site along the banks of the St. Johns River. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. Follow the driveway to the parking area and meet us by the fishing pier.

NATURE DISCOVERY

3 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Tour the nature center at one of Jacksonville's largest parks and learn about the native Florida animals, both living and non - living, on display. Following the indoor tour, join the parks naturalist for a guided nature walk.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Sep. 25
Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive**

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

BIKE HIKE

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. – noon

Monday, Sep. 29

Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp

Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road N.

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sep. 30

Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks located on the Intracoastal Waterway. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

BASIC ORIENTEERING

10 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Discover ways to tell direction and how not to get lost when you don't have a compass. Then learn how to use a compass and written directions to navigate a course through the park. This basic orienteering course keeps participants on the trails and is stroller friendly. Compasses provided.

NATIVE ROOTS

Noon - 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 30

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Join a parks naturalist at one of our newest preservation parks to learn more about Northeast Florida's native plants and their importance. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sep. 30

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

WEE WORKSHOP: SEED SAFARI!

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Calling all wee nature explorers ages 7 and under and their adult companions to join in a seed safari! We'll be on the hunt for all types of seeds and use clues to help us discover what plants these seeds will become.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1

Reddi Point Preserve

4499 Yachtsman Way

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this developing preservation park located along the banks of the St. Johns River. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1

Blue Cypress Park

4012 University Blvd.

See what's happening in Northeast Florida at this beautiful site along the banks of the St. Johns River. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. Follow the driveway to the parking area and meet us by the fishing pier.

COFFEE WITH THE BIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES

9 - 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join us for your morning cup of coffee or tea while looking out our large picture windows at the birds and butterflies visiting our beautiful gardens. Learn how to attract birds and butterflies to your yard and tips for keeping those pesky squirrels out of your birdfeeders. Beverages provided.

BAT BASICS

10 - 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 6

Camp Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road. N

Join us for this learning experience. We'll separate myth from fact regarding these unique flying mammals and discuss their importance in nature. Non - living specimens will be shown. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6

Camp Milton Historic Preserve

1175 Halsema Road N.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this historic preservation park. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

NATIVE ROOTS

2 - 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6

McGirts Creek Regional Park

8435 118th St.

Join a parks naturalist at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville to learn more about Northeast Florida's native plants and their importance. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

WEE WORKSHOP: SEED SAFARI!

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7

Camp Tomahawk

8419 San Ardo Road

Calling all wee nature explorers ages 7 and under and their adult companions to join in a seed safari! We'll be on the hunt for all types of seeds and use clues to help us discover what plants these seeds will become.

ANIMAL DETECTIVE

3 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Wild animals can be very difficult to observe. Many species are active at night or avoid being around people. Learn to identify some of the more common animals by the clues they leave. Participants make a plaster cast of a track that can be taken home.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 9

Huguenot Memorial Park

10980 Heckscher Drive

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

OWL ENCOUNTER

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 10

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Would you like to see which bird does all that hooting at night? Come meet Merlin, a non-releasable barred owl, and learn what makes owls unique and different from other birds.

NatureScope

RAIL - TRAIL WALK

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 13
Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.

Join us for a leisurely early morning walk along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve.

BIKE HIKE

11a.m. – Noon or 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 13
Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. – noon
Tuesday, Oct. 14
Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 8
Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS **

1 - 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14
Dutton Island Preserve
1921 Dutton Drive
See what's happening in Northeast Florida at one of our newest preservation parks located on the Intracoastal Waterway. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

BONE DETECTIVE

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Imagine you've found some bones in the park. How do you figure out what animal they came from? Come out to the park and look at some of the bones we've found and learn what clues to look for to help you discover what animal these bones used to be.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

3 - 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14
Beach and Peach Urban Park
10013 Anders Blvd.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

NATURE CRAFTS: SEED ART

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join us in a search for seeds out in the wild and learn about different methods of seed dispersal. After our short nature walk, use found and purchased seeds to create an artistic picture or mosaic.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

2 - 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15
Reddi Point Preserve
4499 Yachtsman Way
Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this developing preservation park located along the banks of the St. Johns River. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

WILDFLOWER SEARCH

9 - 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20

**McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.**

Join us as we search for wildflowers at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. Learn how to identify some of Northeast Florida's more common wildflowers and their importance. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20

**McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

MAGNIFICENT MONARCHS

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Did you know that monarch butterflies migrate to Mexico? How do they manage to fly that long distance? Are the monarchs we see in the spring the same ones that flew to Mexico in the autumn? Find out the answers to these questions and more as we examine non - living monarchs, followed by a tour of the butterfly garden.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

3 - 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21

**Castaway Island Preserve
2885 San Pablo Road S.**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this premier preservation park located on the Intracoastal Waterway. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

TRAIL WALK AND TALK +

11 a.m. - Noon. Wednesday, Oct. 22

**Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join us for a walk through this magnificent timberland site. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE +

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22

**Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this magnificent timberland site.

SNAKE SAVVY

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center**

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Do you know how to tell the difference between venomous and non - venomous snakes? Learn how and also what you can do to stay safe around snakes and their important role in the balance of nature.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 23

**Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive**

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

STOWE, STEAMBOATS AND STORIES OF OLD MANDARIN

7 - 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25
Walter Jones Historical Park
11964 Mandarin Rd.

Take a walk back in time and learn about some of the important people and events in Mandarin's history. Treats are available for children in costume. Please call the Mandarin Museum at 268 - 0784 for more information.

BIKE HIKE

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. – noon
Monday, Oct. 27
Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp
Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

NATURE DISCOVERY

1:30 - 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Take a tour of the nature center at one of Jacksonville's largest parks and learn about the native Florida animals, both living and non - living, on display here. Following the indoor tour, join the parks naturalist for a guided nature walk.

BAT BASICS

3 - 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27
Castaway Island Preserve
2885 San Pablo Road S.

Join us for this learning experience. We'll separate myth from fact regarding these unique flying mammals and discuss their importance in nature. Non - living specimens will be shown. We will meet in the education center.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28
Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 4

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

NATURE CRAFTS: PAINTING WITH LEAVES

10 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join us on a nature walk to collect interesting leaves. Use fabric paint and the collected leaves to make a unique and wearable work of art. Please wear old clothes and bring a T - shirt or other fabric item that is white or a solid color. Registration is required as space limits attendance.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

11 a.m. - Noon Tuesday, Oct. 28
Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 4

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

2 - 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28
Beach and Peach Urban Park
10013 Anders Blvd.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

NATURE CRAFTS: PAINTING WITH LEAVES

10 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center
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Join us on a nature walk to collect interesting leaves. Use fabric paint and the collected leaves to make a unique and wearable work of art. Please wear old clothes and bring a T-shirt or other fabric item that is white or a solid color. **Registration is required as space limits attendance.**

TRAIL WALK AND TALK

9 - 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3
McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.

Join us for a walk at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. Enjoy being outdoors and benefit from the exercise. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3
McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

ARTFUL SCIENCE

1 - 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3
Camp Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road. N

This is an opportunity to draw using quality replica animal skulls as subject matter. You'll learn about the lifestyles of the animals, as well. Bring your own sketchpad and drawing materials. We will meet in the education center.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3
Camp Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this historic preservation park. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

WEE WORKSHOP: SQUIRREL SCRAMBLE!

10 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4
Camp Tomahawk
8419 San Ardo Road

Calling all wee nature explorers ages 7 and under and their adult companions! We are going on a squirrel scramble. While walking the trails, we'll search for squirrel hideouts; learn what food squirrels eat and where these mammals go to stay warm during colder months.

WEE WORKSHOP: SQUIRREL SCRAMBLE!

10 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5
Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Calling all wee nature explorers age 7 and under and their adult companions! We are going on a squirrel scramble. While walking the trails, we'll search for squirrel hideouts; learn what food squirrels eat and where these mammals go to stay warm during colder months.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5
Reddi Point Preserve
4499 Yachtsman Way

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this developing preservation park located along the banks of the St. Johns River. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

OUTDOOR OBSERVATIONS

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5

**Blue Cypress Park
4012 University Blvd.**

See what's happening in the wild Northeast Florida at this beautiful site along the banks of the St. Johns River. Enjoy the thrill of discovery while experiencing the outdoors. The program is for all ages. Follow the driveway to the parking area and meet us by the fishing pier.

BONES AND SKULLS

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Imagine you've found some bones in the park. How do you figure out what animal they came from? Look at some of the bones we've found and learn what clues to look for to help you discover what animal these bones used to be.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Nov. 6
Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive**

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

COFFEE WITH THE BIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES

9 - 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Join us for your morning cup of coffee or tea while looking out our large picture windows at the birds and butterflies visiting our beautiful gardens. Learn how to attract birds and butterflies to your yard and tips for keeping those pesky squirrels out of your birdfeeders. Beverages provided.

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* Terrain may be inappropriate for strollers.

+ Restrooms and running water are not available at this location.

PROJECT FEEDER WATCH

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Help us gather information about the birds visiting our bird feeders. Learn how you can participate in the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's feeder research project and become a citizen scientist.

RAIL - TRAIL WALK

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10

**Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp
Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.**

Join us for a leisurely early morning walk along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve.

BIKE HIKE

11a.m. - noon or 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

**Monday, Nov. 10
Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at Camp
Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.**

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. - noon

**Wednesday, Nov. 12
Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 8**

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

1 - 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12

Dutton Island Preserve

1921 Dutton Drive

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks located on the Intracoastal Waterway. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

TURTLES - - ARMORED REPTILES

2 - 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Do you know the difference between a tortoise, a terrapin, and a turtle? Become more educated about these armored reptiles while examining both living and non - living specimens. Learn some simple things you can do to help turtles. Participants will take home an Audubon Adventures newspaper on turtles, designed for students in grades 3 - 5.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12

Beach and Peach Urban Park

10013 Anders Blvd.

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at one of our newest preservation parks. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

PINE NEEDLE BASKETS

10 a.m. - noon Friday, Nov. 14

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Basketry made from natural materials is one of the oldest crafts known to man. Learn to turn pine needles, an abundant natural resource, into a beautiful and functional pine needle basket. This class is restricted to participants aged 12 years and older. Registration required.

OWL ENCOUNTER

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 14

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Would you like to see which animal does all that hooting at night? Come meet Merlin, a non - releasable barred owl, and learn what makes owls unique in the bird world.

SKY TOUR

7 - 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15

Camp Tomahawk

8419 San Ardo Road

Join members of Northeast Florida Astronomical Society and their telescopes in a view of the night sky. See planets, stars and constellations and learn the best ways to view the upcoming Leonids Meteor Showers.

TRAIL WALK AND TALK

9 - 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17

McGirts Creek Regional Park

8435 118th St.

Join us for a walk at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. Enjoy being outdoors and benefit from the exercise. The program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

MORNING EXPLORING

9 - 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17

Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park

Nature Center

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Join the parks naturalist on a nature walk to explore an off - trail portion of this large park. This program is not appropriate for children in strollers.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17

**McGirts Creek Regional Park
8435 118th St.**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this expansive regional park located in West Jacksonville. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the playground gazebo.

NATURE CRAFTS: PINE CONE CRITTERS

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center
7000 Roosevelt Blvd.**

Use your artistic skills and a pine cone to create something that looks like an animal. Please bring a pine cone for each participant. Other supplies provided. This program is appropriate for all ages.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

3 - 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18

**Castaway Island Preserve
2885 San Pablo Road S.**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this premier preservation park located on the Intracoastal Waterway. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

TRAIL WALK AND TALK +

9 - 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19

**Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join us for a walk through this magnificent timberland site. This program is not appropriate for very young children.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE +

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19

**Sal Taylor Creek Preserve
5873 Nathan Hale Road**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this magnificent timberland site. This program is for all ages.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE **

3 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19

**Reddi Point Preserve
4499 Yachtsman Way**

Join a parks naturalist for a guided exploration at this developing preservation park located along the banks of the St. Johns River. The program is for all ages. We will meet in the parking lot.

ANIMAL DETECTIVE

3 - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19

**Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park
Nature Center**

7000 Roosevelt Blvd.

Wild animals can be very difficult to observe. Many species are active at night or avoid being around people. Learn to identify some of the more common animals by the clues they leave. Participants make a plaster cast of a track that can be taken home.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30

Thursday, Nov. 20

**Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive**

Enjoy a guided tour through this beautiful oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the campground store inside the park. There is a park admission fee required to enter the park.

BIKE HIKE

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. - noon

Monday, Nov. 24

**Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail at
Camp Milton Historic Preserve
1175 Halsema Road N.**

Bring your bicycle and join us for a leisurely bike ride along the Jacksonville Baldwin Rail - Trail. We will meet in the parking lot of Camp Milton Historic Preserve. All riders 16 and younger are required to wear helmets.

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ARTFUL SCIENCE

3 - 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24

**Castaway Island Preserve
2885 San Pablo Road S.**

This is an opportunity to draw using quality replica animal skulls as subject matter. You'll learn about the lifestyles of the animals, as well. Bring your own sketchpad and drawing materials. This program is for all ages. We will meet in the education center.

URBAN WILDLIFE

2 - 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25

**Beach and Peach Urban Park
10013 Anders Blvd.**

People are not your only neighbors. Learn about the varieties of wildlife that feel at home in your neighborhood. This program is for all ages. We will meet at the first gazebo.

BEACH WALK AND TALK *

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. – noon

Tuesday, Nov. 25

**Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Road, parking lot 4**

Enjoy a guided tour of this exquisite oceanfront park which is part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. This program is for all ages. There is a \$3 park admission fee per vehicle for up to six occupants, plus \$1 per each additional person.

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